

**Driver's Choice Driving School, Inc. (Mansfield, MA)**  
**Bulletin #1**

To: Former Students of Driver's Choice Driving School, Inc. (DCDS)

Re: School Closure

Date: May 15, 2012

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1. Driver's Choice Driving School, Inc. (DCDS) at 86 Copeland St, Mansfield, MA has closed. The records obtained by the RMV indicate that you have a child who was enrolled at DCDS. Based upon the information available to the RMV at this time, we do not expect the school to reopen under its present ownership.

2. The purpose of this Memorandum is to apprise you, as parents, of the status of the school and its program and to provide you and your child with information about your consumer rights and the alternatives available to complete the state's driver education requirements. The staff of the RMV's Driver Education section is willing to work with you to help ensure that your child is able to complete the remaining program requirements with as little disruption as possible.

3. The RMV is in the process of obtaining administrative records from the school.

(a) If the RMV determines that your child has completed some of the classroom and/or on-road portions of the state requirements, you will receive a *Driver's Education Statement of Partial Completion* crediting your child with the hours of completion that it is satisfied have been completed. The certificate will also indicate if a parent, guardian or designee has attended the required 2-hour parent class. You may present the *Driver's Education Statement of Partial Completion* to another licensed private driving school where your child can complete the remaining state requirements, and if necessary, a parent, guardian or designee may attend the parent class. You will be responsible for paying any fee due to the newly retained driving school for the completion of the state requirements. Be advised that it may be very difficult for the newly retained driving school to incorporate your child into the school's then current schedule and some delays may be anticipated. You will also be responsible for paying for the *Driver Education Certificate*, road test and license fees to the RMV. ***Note: The RMV will not be able to provide credit for the completion of any portion of the driver education program unless the RMV is satisfied, from a review of credible records, that the student completed the specific requirement or requirements.***

4. If after you receive the Statement of Partial Completion and feel your child has not been credited for instruction that he/she has completed, you must provide records for the portion(s) of the driver's education program that your child has completed in order to be

considered for such credit. You should make photocopies of any record(s) in your possession and retain the originals in a secure location. The records should show the dates of the classes attended and the dates and the type of on-road training that was provided (behind-the-wheel or as an observer). Do not alter or make any changes to the records in your possession. If the records themselves do not identify the name of your child and the name of DCDS, write the information on a piece of paper and attach it to the copies of records that you file with the RMV. You may fax the records to 617-351-9360 or email them to [todd.gurney@state.ma.us](mailto:todd.gurney@state.ma.us) at the Driver Education section. You may also mail them to the RMV Headquarters. We will review the records and compare them with the records we have obtained from DCDS. If you are mailing documents (legible photocopies only), use the following address:

**Registry of Motor Vehicles  
Driver Education Section  
P.O. Box 55892  
Boston, MA 02205-5892**

5. You may have already received a letter from DCDS stating the portion of the driver education program that was completed with them. You may bring this letter to another school to complete the remainder of the requirements of driver education.
6. The Registry of Motor Vehicle does not receive any portion of the tuition fees charged by licensed driving schools. The RMV is not aware whether the school intends to, or has the ability to, make refunds to those students who have paid-in-full or paid a substantial portion of the tuition fee but will not be receiving all of the services which have been contracted. Professional driving schools are required to maintain a bond in order to provide reimbursement to students and/or parents in the event that the program ceases to function and fails to provide or complete instruction. The RMV has already notified the bond company of its intention to file a claim. If you believe that you are owed a refund by DCDS for any prepaid tuition or fees, you should make photocopies of any record(s) in your possession and retain the originals in a secure location. The records should show the amount and date of money paid (receipts, cancelled checks, etc.). These records should be forwarded to the address above. Please be advised that the Registry will compile all claims on the bond held by the driving school and forward them to the bond issuer. The Registry will contact all individuals that have a recognizable claim when we are notified by the bonding company as to decisions made with regard to payment of claims.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this notification please contact Driver Education section at 617-351-9931.